

What Is Claimed Is:

1. A cruise controller having a stop-and-go function for motor vehicles, comprising a control element (14, 20) for activating the cruise controller, and an activation lock which prevents activation when the brake pedal (10b) is operated, wherein the activation lock is ineffective when predefined conditions - including the condition that the speed (V) is not greater than a specific activation speed (Va) - are met.
2. The cruise controller as recited in Claim 1, wherein the activation speed (Va) is equal to 0.
3. The cruise controller as recited in Claim 2, wherein a further condition under which the activation lock is ineffective is that a predefined time interval has passed since the vehicle has been at a standstill.
4. The cruise controller as recited in Claim 1, wherein the activation speed is greater than 0 but less than 10 km/h.
5. The cruise controller as recited in one of the preceding Claims, wherein a functionality for the automatic cut-off of the cruise controller when the brake pedal (10b) is operated is effective only when the speed is greater than the activation speed (Va).
6. The cruise controller as recited in one of the preceding Claims, wherein the stop-and-go function has a "standstill,

active" state, in which the vehicle can be started automatically, without driver intervention, and at least one "wait" state, in which the vehicle can be restarted only with driver intervention, and wherein the cruise controller - when the predefined conditions are met - goes into the active state when the brake pedal (10b) is operated, and/or goes into the "wait" state when activated and the brake pedal is operated.